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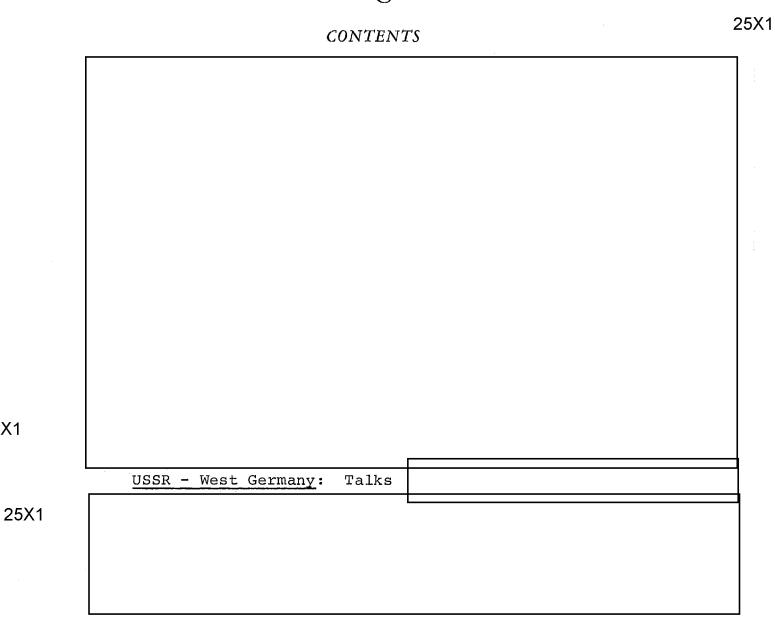
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USSR - UWEST GERMANY: SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER GROMYKO HAD NOTHING NEW TO OFFER WEST GERMAN NEGOTI-ATOR EGON BAHR IN THEIR MEETING ON TUESDAY, ACCORD-ING TO THE WEST GERMAN AMBASSADOR IN MOSCOW

WEST GERMANS HAD HOPED THAT A DELAY IN THE TALKS, WHICH ALLOWED THE TWO NEGOTIATORS TO CONFER WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE GOVERNMENTS, MIGHT RESULT IN NEW SOVIET PROPOSALS. THE AMBASSADOR BELIEVES THAT THE RIGIDITY OF GROMYKO'S POSITION MAY INDICATE THAT THE SOVIETS ARE AWAITING DEVELOPMENTS IN THE BRANDT-STOPH TALKS BEFORE MAKING ANY NEW MOVES. MOSCOW MAY ALSO HAVE CALCULATED, APPARENTLY MISTAKENLY, THAT BAHR WOULD RETURN FROM BONN WITH A NEW SET OF PROPOSALS.

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